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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 04 April 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 and 21-32 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 8-20 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 20 March 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

Specification

Amendments to the specification filed April 4, 2005 are acceptable.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

Amendments made in regards to claims 1, 8, 10, 11, 14-16 and 22 in order to correct the prior informalities are accepted. Therefore, the prior rejection of claims 1-25 is withdrawn.

Response to Arguments

Claim 3 has been cancelled. Applicant's arguments/amendments with respect to amended claims 1, 2, 8, 10, 11, 14-16 and 22, previously presented claims 4-7, 9, 13, 17-21 and 23-25 and newly presented claims 26-32 filed April 4, 2005 have been fully considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection. Only arguments specifically addressed have been considered according to MPEP 714.04 and 37 CFR 1.111. The Examiner would like to point out that this action is made final (See MPEP 706.07a).

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 8-20 objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Hereafter patent literature that is referenced as prior art will be cited by column and line number in the form of (column number:line number range). For example, the citation (6:23-27) refers to lines 23-27 of the 6th column in the reference.

1. Claims 1 and 2 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wood, U.S. Patent No. 5,003,596.

As per claim 1:

Wood discloses a method for cryptographically processing data, comprising:

Feeding, to a cryptographic process (P), values, namely, the data (X) and a key (K) (fig. 8, wherein item 104 is the data (X), item 116 represents the key (K) and items 106, 112, 114, 118, 120, 122, 126, 130, 132, 136, 138, 140 and 144 represent the cryptographic process (P) collectively).

Carrying out the process (P) in order to form cryptographically processed output data (Y) (fig 8., wherein item 146 is the output data (Y)), characterized by

Feeding, to the process (P), auxiliary values that mask the data (X) used in the process (P) (fig 8., wherein item 110 represents the auxiliary values that mask the data; 11:64-67, wherein transformation of the data represents masking the data), and

Compensating, by an auxiliary process, the influence of the auxiliary values on the output data (Y) (12:4-6; 31-43, wherein the mask creation is the auxiliary process).

As per claim 2:

Wood discloses a method of cryptographically processing data, comprising:

Feeding, to a cryptographic process (P), values, namely, the data (X) and a key (K) (fig. 8, wherein item 104 is the data (X), item 116 represents the key (K) and items 106, 112, 114, 118, 120, 122, 126, 130, 132, 136, 138, 140 and 144 represent the cryptographic process (P) collectively),

Carrying out the process (P) in order to form cryptographically processed output data (Y) (fig 8., wherein item 146 is the output data (Y)), characterized by

Feeding, to a supplementary process (P*), a supplementary key (K*) in order to form the key (K) (fig. 3, wherein item 50 is the supplementary key (K*) and items 51-58 represent the supplementary process (P*) collectively and the item 59 represents the key (K)),

Wherein the supplementary key (K*) masks the key (K) used in the process (P) (fig. 3 shows the supplementary process (P*) that utilizes the key (K*) to mask the key (K)), and

Wherein the supplementary process (P*) comprises a cryptographic process to which an auxiliary key (K') is fed (6:24-31, wherein the initialization vector acts as the

auxiliary key (K') and is fed to the process which creates the key table utilizing the supplementary key (K*).

As per claim 4:

Wood discloses a method wherein the supplementary process (P*) is in invertible process (8:8-10, 20-22, since you can work backwards to get the original plaintext, the process is invertible).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 7, 22 and 27 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wood (U.S. 5,003,596) as applied to claims 1 and 2 above and further in view of Miyano (U.S. 5,442,705).

As per claim 7:

Wood fails to teach the process (P) and the supplementary process (P*) each being built up from a number of steps, and wherein steps of the process (P) and the supplementary process (P*) are alternated. However, Miyano discloses the process (P) and the supplementary process (P*) each being built up from a number of steps, and wherein steps of the process (P) and the supplementary process (P*) are alternated (column 1, lines 64-68-cojumn 2, lines 1-2', figure 1). The process (P) is represented by

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the steps R_0 - R_{16} and alternate with the key schedule process which represents (P^*).

The two processes alternate since a new auxiliary key must be produced by the key schedule before the next R_i is executed.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of applicant's invention to utilize the cryptographic process of Wood in combination with the cryptographic process presented in Miyano because Wood's process permit's the use of the block cipher format, such as DES, in order to increase the security of the system as a whole (Wood, 3:46-49; 5:6-10).

As per claims 22 and 27:

Wood fails to teach a method wherein the process (P) comprises DES.

However, Miyano discloses a method wherein DES is utilized as the process (P) (2:47-53).

3. Claims 21, 23-26 and 28-30 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wood (5,003,596) as applied to claims 1 and 2 above, and further in view of Bouricius et al. (Bouricius), U.S. Patent No. 4, 302, 810).

As per claims 21 and 26:

Wood fails to teach a method wherein the data (X) comprises identification data of a payment means (1) and the processed data (Y) forms a diversified key. However, Bouricius discloses a method wherein a secure transmission to a host machine of a transaction message describes a financial transaction between a person and a retailer (3:53- 57).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of applicant's invention to use identification data of a payment means to produce a diversified key in addition to using a circuit to carryout a cryptographic method, a payment card and a payment terminal in combination with the cryptographic block cipher as disclosed by Wood in order to prevent eavesdroppers on the transmission lines from obtaining any information which could later be used for fraudulent, illegal, or any other purposes as stated by Bouricius (2:8-12, 4:17-23).

As per claims 23 and 28:

Wood fails to teach a circuit for carrying out a method for cryptographically processing data. However, Bouricius discloses a method which includes means for an encryption circuit to carryout an encryption processes (5:37-39).

As per claims 24 and 29:

Wood fails to teach a payment card provided with a circuit. However, Bouricius discloses a method which includes an electronic funds transfer card (2:26).

As per claims 25 and 30:

Wood fails to teach a payment terminal provided with a circuit. However, Bouricius discloses a portable transaction terminal device (2:27).

4. Claims 31 and 32 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wood (U.S. 5,003,596) in view of Miyano (U.S. 5,442,705) as applied to claims 22 and 27 above, and further in view of Heer et al. (Heer), U.S. Patent No. 6,028,933.

As per claims 31 and 32:

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Wood and Miyano fail to teach a method wherein the DES process is triple DES. However, Heer discloses a method wherein triple DES is utilized.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of applicant's invention to utilize triple DES in a cryptographic process as disclosed in Wood and Miyano because as stated in Heer, triple DES provides twice the encrypting power of a pure DES encrypting process making it much more secure (2:62-67).

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

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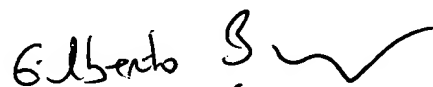
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kristin Derwich whose telephone number is 571-272-7958. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gilberto Barron can be reached on 571-272-3799. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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